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REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of New Bedford :

GENTLEMEN :—The Trustees of the Library herewith present their fiftieth annual report. Incorporated in it, and made a part of it, will be found the first report of George H. Tripp, the librarian, who, succeeding the late Robert C. Ingraham, assumed the duties of the place on the 22d of July, 1901. To that report the Trustees refer the City Council for figures of circulation, as well as for other information concerning the detail of the Library's operations, and for many valuable suggestions concerning the office of a free public library in a city like New Bedford. We ask for them a careful consideration, as they bear directly on the work of an institution which, while it is already far-reaching in its influence, is yet destined, as we believe, to a development far beyond its present scope. In this connection the Board is pleased to be able to congratulate the City Council and the people of New Bedford on its good fortune in securing the service of Mr. Tripp, who has entered upon his work with a zeal tempered by intelligence that promises a worthy carrying on of the noble work of his predecessor. His report to the Board of Trustees is as follows :

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library :

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit the following report on the condition of the library, with certain suggestions of future development.

By the statistics appended it will be seen that the circulation for the eleven months that the library was open in 1901 was 111,849 books. No figures are at hand to show the actual use of books in the library. Some of the most important work of a modern library is done in the reference room and among the alcoves. It is manifestly impossible with our present force of attendants to keep accurate account of the number of books thus consulted, without slighting other necessary work.

One noticeable feature in the report is the percentage of works of fiction taken from the library. Within the last few months there has been a vigorous exploitation of views by leading librarians and others interested on the subject of the purchase of fiction for public libraries. Herbert Putnam, the librarian of Congress, would restrict the purchase of novels to those which have earned the right to live by living at least a year after publication, while Andrew Carnegie puts the ban upon those under three years old.

The Providence Public Library in 1900 bought only seventeen current novels, the librarian, Mr. W. E. Foster, welcoming the advent of such agencies as the

Book-Lovers' Library and other outside sources to supply the wants of fiction readers.

But there are certain considerations which are strongly against such a proposition.

A public library should furnish what the people want, within the bounds of decency, good sense, and economy.

A library supported by the people must provide them with books they will read, yet ever ready to suggest and provide better books than the average taste of a community craves. Of course, books of manifestly demoralizing tendencies should be rigidly excluded; but if the people want fiction, and 75% of them do, fiction they must have, till by judicious suggestion and advice something better is demanded. It must be considered, too, that fiction is a broad term.

Some of the finest literature is classed as fiction. It certainly is not to the discredit of a reader that he prefers to read *The Scarlet Letter*, *Romola*, *Elsie Venner*, *Henry Esmond*, *Ivanhoe*, *Bleak House*, *Treasure Island*, all of which must be classed as fiction, rather than waste his time over *Mrs. Gallup's Bibliliteral Cipher*, which poses as literature. And there are even those who say that it were better to spend a delightful hour with *Thackeray* or *Hardy* than read the lucubrations of some pseudo-philosopher who tries to prove there is no God, or the unconscious efforts of some poetaster to show us there is no poetry.

Patrons of the library should have abundant opportunity to take out good fiction; at the same time, by the privilege of taking another book on the same card, the use of other classes of books would be increased. There is no doubt that the percentage of fiction could be largely reduced by freely granting the privilege of taking two books, one of which should be non-fiction. This method is in vogue in many libraries and with great success.

Again, as Mr. Foster has clearly shown, figures are

deceptive. A person can read two or three books of fiction in the time required to read one book in history, biography or travel, while in cost to the library the cost of ten novels would be no more than three or four books of travel, history, or philosophy, so the book-funds are not spent in proportion to the number of novels added.

If the library drives away its readers of fiction, the well-to-do can solace themselves with the Book-Lovers' Library, or can buy books, while those of small means are driven to cheap story papers, chromatic journals, the unclassified reading of circulating libraries. Better to have reading under the auspices of expert library selection, where there is constant effort to keep out the sensational and attract to the substantial.

During the last few months an effort has been made to place on the open shelves, besides the new books, lists of books on various subjects which might be helpful to readers, and it has been gratifying to see that such books have gone into circulation freely.

Among such lists were selected biographies, Fifty Famous Essayists, Books on Germany, Writings of John Fiske, Horace Scudder, books suggested by Howells' "Literary Friends and Acquaintances" (a list copied from the San Francisco Library Bulletin).

Since July reference lists have been prepared on the following subjects: King Alfred the Great, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, John Fiske, The Whaling Industry, Cotton and Textile Industries, Victor Hugo; and a reference list of Genealogies and Family Histories is now being published.

Our bulletin board has been made a useful feature in calling attention to new publications and to topics of current interest.

A children's open case has recently been placed in the corner of the reading room, where the young people can see for themselves that there are other authors than

Horatio Alger who have written for boys, and other names in fiction than Elsie.

A children's room is one of the most popular features of the modern library; for the children, because it furnishes them with books suited to their needs, and because their tastes and wishes can be gratified in a special part of the library in which they feel a proprietary interest; for the older readers in the reference room, who are not disturbed by the entry and conversation of children.

The children of today are the future patrons of the library, and they should be brought up to use books and to love good books.

Nothing is of greater assistance in stimulating such a book education than a children's room in a library with an intelligent and inspired attendant who knows children and books and has tact.

A display of photographs of Massachusetts libraries was made in December. Over 150 pictures were shown, which had been kindly loaned by libraries of many cities and towns.

For the last four months there has been displayed a collection of art photographs which is changed every week, and which gives in chronological order a view of the more notable examples of the Italian school of art. This will be continued through the year.

If there were room, there would be better opportunity to display to advantage the book-treasures which the library contains. No one from the outside can know the wealth of good material concealed within the Free Public Library of New Bedford. The best monument to the memory of the late librarian, next to the living remembrance of his willing service to all perplexed readers, is the grand collection of books which he was instrumental in collecting.

A catalogue of the books in the French language which are in the library has been prepared by Miss DeWolf, and is a very useful and valuable piece of

work, which should prove of great assistance to student, and readers.

In connection with the reference work of the library the public should realize that the books on the shelves in the reference room comprise but a very small portion of the reference works in the library. There are several thousand additional books which might very properly be placed on those shelves if there were room.

Again, it should be known that the information desk stands for a service to the patrons of the library, that should be made use of very freely.

A public library should be able to throw light on any and every subject of inquiry, and though a simple question may tax the resources of the library and demand the time of the librarian for hours to answers yet it is all in the line of the legitimate work of the library, and such help should always be gladly furnished as far as can be done. It should also be remembered that the library can be questioned by telephone at any time and subjects will be gladly looked up.

Clubs and societies pursuing lines of study can be furnished with lists of books and magazine articles bearing on such subjects, on application.

The branch reading rooms are an important adjunct of the library. A few changes in equipment would render them more efficient. A demand for improved facilities would probably result in securing better and more extended service. It is gratifying to know that gradually more adults are using the rooms.

It might be well to consider the feasibility of sending collections of books to schools, engine houses, and hospitals, on request.

Such traveling libraries are in use in many places, notably Buffalo.

The school and the library should work hand in hand in greatest harmony. The library staff will be ready at any time to assist in preparing lists of reference

books on any topics suggested, and help in suggesting courses of reading.

While the reading public of New Bedford is not as large as might be desired or expected in a city of its size, those who use the library are extremely appreciative, and it is a pleasure to meet their demands for service. No one appreciates more than does the present librarian the immense debt of gratitude which New Bedford owes to Robert C. Ingraham for the life work which he put into this library. It should be the aim of all to continue the work so nobly begun, with the inspiration of his life ever in grateful memory as an incentive to good work.

I personally wish to express my deep gratitude to the trustees for their sympathetic assistance in the beginning of my work; to my assistants, who have been prompt to respond to all calls; and to the people of New Bedford, who have been extremely helpful by their courtesy and consideration. It will be the aim of your librarian and all connected with the library to make it fulfil the grand motto of the city seal, *Lucem Diffundo*.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. TRIPP, Librarian.

There are not many things to say in addition to those rehearsed by the librarian. We would once more call the attention of the Council to the crowded condition in every department of the library. A small relief was obtained in the fiction department by the installing of new iron stacks, which effected some economy of room. But the space so saved was nearly all taken up in a very short time, and the problem of the bestowal of further additions becomes more and more difficult each month. This, however, is not so troublesome as the totally inadequate accommodations for users of the library. We should have four or five times as much room for the convenience of children, readers, and students, to say nothing of those who come to the library merely to return and take away books. All these classes are in each other's way, and the crowding is a most serious obstacle to the enjoyment and benefit of some of them. A student has practically no suitable accommodation in the library, though he is of one of the classes which should have the most and the best attention.

The death of the librarian, Robert C. Ingraham, occurred early in the year, and before the annual report was printed, so that a sketch of his life and some tributes to his memory appeared as an appendix to the report. The trustees desire to express here, formally and officially, their gratitude for the life of such a man and that he gave that life to a service in which they are proud to have had a small share. He was such an example of faithfulness to a trust as should, and we know will, inspire many another to the accomplishment of a high ideal. Few of the sons of New Bedford have been of such inestimable value to their native city.

The first annual report asserted that "no such institution as that whose first report is now submitted to the city government of our city, has ever thrown open its doors to the public in this or in any other country," but the trustees of that day found unexpected encouragement in the interest which it immediately excited. "Our library," they say, "has become one of the institutions of the the city, and under the continued patronage of the city government, which will doubtless be extended to it, it is destined, we most confidently believe, to be one of the most popular as well as one of the most useful." Now after fifty years, in which time there has been an evolution of library work of which that board did not dream, we can say that they foresaw rightly, and we have confidence that their prevision will be verified again at the close of another half century.

Respectfully,

CHARLES S. ASHLEY,	}	Ex-Officio.
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A TRIBUTE TO MR. INGRAHAM.

The following article relative to the late Robert C. Ingraham was printed in The Catholic Union of March 9, 1901:

"In the death of Mr. Robert C. Ingraham, librarian of the Free Public Library, New Bedford has sustained one of the greatest losses in her history. As the first librarian in this country, so also was he one of the most capable. For nearly half a century, from the very foundation of the library in 1852, up to three days before his death, he presided over that institution with an ability and devotion that developed it into one of the best equipped libraries in the United States. He was known and respected from one end of the land to the other, and his demise has occasioned a loss in this branch of education which, in many respects, will be irreparable. A persistent worker, courteous and obliging, possessing a vast and varied knowledge, he placed at the disposal of our library all his talents, all his time, and all his attention. What the library is today is due entirely to the wisdom of his direction, and in his magnificent equipment of that institution he has bequeathed a priceless legacy to New Bedford and reared for himself a monument that will ever preserve his memory."

CLASSIFICATION.	NO. OF BOOKS CIRCULATED.	PERCENT OF WHOLE.
Biography	2,021	.018
Philosophy	1,916	.009
Religion	918	.008
Sociology	1,391	.012
Philology	313	.003
Science	2,025	.018
Useful Arts	1,937	.017
Fine Arts	2,732	.024
Literature	2,525	.022
History and Travels	6,452	.058
Miscellaneous	4,491	.045
Fiction	85,028	.767
Total circulation	111,849	

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR 1901.

Volumes added to library from all sources	2,884	
Pamphlets	796	
Total additions		3,680
Volumes added by purchase	2,427	
Volumes added by binding periodicals	356	
Volumes added by gift	457	
Volumes worn out and withdrawn	515	
Volumes replaced	303	
Net additions to the library in volumes		2,672
Volumes bound (including periodicals and volumes re- paired at bindery)		2,458
Total number of volumes in the library, January 1, 1902		77,707
Periodicals in reading room		178
Newspapers in reading room		26
New cards issued		1,615
Books drawn for home use		111,849

Pictures loaned :	
Paintings	1,059
Architecture	297
Prints	175 — 1,531
North Branch:—	
Attendance, adults	4,934
" children	11,569
Books circulated	1,553
South Branch:—	
Attendance, adults	2,569
" children	12,300
Books circulated	1,149

EXPENDITURES, 1901.

CITY APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation		\$12,000.00
Binding	\$1,567.32	
Carrying books (branches)	110.00	
Cleaning library	342.00	
Freight	20.18	
Newspapers and periodicals	684.35	
Photographs	27.55	
Printing	223.66	
Repairs	131.90	
Salaries and wages	8,535.00	
Supplies	233.68	11,875.64

DOG FUND.

Balance		\$1,565.44
Income		1,456.04
		<u>\$3,021.48</u>
Books	\$250.00	
Furnishings and repairs	60.41	
Furniture	1,138.50	
Newspapers and periodicals	113.04	
Photographs	163.73	
Printing	2.18	
So. Mass. Telephone Co.	36.00	
Supplies	116.58	1,880.44
Balance		<u>\$1,141.04</u>

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READING ROOM FUND.

Balance		\$631.95
N. B. Gas & Edison Light Co.	\$180.46	
Newspapers and periodicals	80.80	261.26
Balance	-	<u>\$370.69</u>

JAMES B. CONGDON FUND.

Balance		\$97.66
Income		30.00
Balance		<u>\$127.66</u>

No expenditures.

GEORGE O. CROCKER FUND.

Balance		\$337.80
Income		400.00
		<u>\$737.80</u>
Books	220.54	220.54
Balance		<u>\$517.26</u>

OLIVER CROCKER FUND.

Balance		\$99.06
Income		60.00
Balance		<u>\$159.06</u>

No expenditures.

GEORGE HOWLAND, JR., FUND.

Balance		263.68
Income		96.00
		<u>\$359.68</u>
Books	\$26.00	26.00
Balance		<u>\$333.68</u>

SYLVIA ANN HOWLAND FUND

Balance		\$1,275.38
Income		3,000.00
		<u>\$4,275.38</u>
Books	\$3,089.23	3,089.23
Balance		<u>\$1,186.15</u>

CHARLES W. MORGAN FUND.

Balance	\$106.24
Income	60.00
Balance	<u>\$166.24</u>
No expenditures.	

CHARLES L. WOOD FUND.

Balance	\$128.18
Income	<u>\$80.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$208.18</u>
No expenditures.	

TOTAL EXPENDITURES.

(Excluding Fines Acc't).

Binding	\$1,567.32
Books	3,585.77
Carrying books (branches)	110.00
Cleaning library	342.00
Freight	20.18
Furnishings and repairs	192.31
Furniture	1,138.50
N. B. Gas & Edison Light Co.	180.46
Newspapers and periodicals	878.19
Photographs	191.28
Printing	225.84
Salaries and wages	<u>\$8,535.00</u>
So. Mass. Telephone Co.	36.00
Supplies	<u>350.26</u>
	<u>\$17,353.11</u>

Included in the above is \$261.26 expended on the branch reading rooms (exclusive of salaries).

GIFTS—1901.

	V.	P.	Nos.
Amherst College, Amherst		1	
Amiraux, Frank, Paterson, N. J.		1	
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover		1	
Ashley, Harrison Everett, New Bedford		1	
Ayer, F. F. New York, N. Y.	1		
Balch, Thomas W., Philadelphia, Pa.	1		
Bancroft-Whitney Co., San Francisco, Cal.		1	
Barton, William E., Oak Park, Ill.	1		
Beaman & Smith, Providence, R. I.		1	
Bellenoit, Alveric, New Bedford		1	
Benton, J. H. Jr., Boston		1	
Boston, City of	3	7	
Boston Book Co., Boston	Portrait		4
Boston Port and Seamen's Aid Society, Boston		1	
Boston Young Men's Christian Union	1		
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.		1	
Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, Brooklyn, N. Y.	2		
Brown University, Providence, R. I.	1		
Bunker Hill Monument Association, Boston	1		
Butler Hospital for the Insane, Providence, R. I.		1	
Caproni, P. P. and Brother, Boston	1		
Chicago, Ill., City of		5	
Choate, Hon. Joseph H., New York, N. Y.	1		
Cleveland, O., City of		1	
C. M. Clark Pub. Co., Boston	1		
Colby College, Waterville, Me.		1	
Commonwealth Co., Pub., New York, N. Y.	1		
Coolidge, T. Jefferson, Manchester		1	
Cornell University (Ag. Exp. Station), Ithaca, N. Y.			9
Coubertin, Pierre de, France	1		
Cunningham, Henry W., Boston		1	
Dana, Richard H., Boston		1	

	V.	P.	Nos.
Dante Society, Cambridge		1	
Dartmouth Club, New Bedford	1		
Denham, Edward, New Bedford	1		
Drotsum, A. C., Christiana, Norway	1		
Fair Representation Committee, Melrose		1	
Farquhar, David, Cambridge	1		
Field, Marshall, Chicago, Ill.	2		
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill.	1	9	
Fitchburg, Mass., City of	1		
Folsom, Frances A., Limerick, Me.	1		
Francis, Hon. F. W., New Bedford	2		
Free Religious Association of America, Boston		1	
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, New York, N. Y.		2	
Gifford, Charles H., New Bedford	1		
Green, James, Worcester		1	
Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston	1	26	
Haile, Mrs. Wm. H., Springfield	1		
Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, Hamp- ton, Va.		1	
Harvard University, Cambridge	1	1	
Hervey, James W., New Bedford	5		
Howland, Richard S., Providence, R. I.	1		
Hussey, Mrs. C. M., New Bedford			9
Hutchinson, H. S. & Co., New Bedford	1		
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa.		4	
Iowa State Normal School, Cedar Falls, Ia.		1	
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.			7
J. S. Ogilvie Pub. Co., New York, N. Y.	2		
Julien, Rev. Matthew C., New Bedford		6	
Kinsley, William J., New York, N. Y.		2	
Knopf, Dr. S. A., New York, N. Y.		1	
Lake Mohonk Conference, Ulster Co., N. Y.		1	
Lega-Weeks, Ethel, London, Eng.		1	
Libraries:			
Albany, N. Y. New York State Library	2		2
Amherst College Library			3
Baltimore, Md. Enoch Pratt Free Library		1	2
Boston. Congregational Library		2	
General Theological Library		1	
Public Library		2	12
Brookline Public Library	1	2	3
Brooklyn, N. Y. Public Library		1	9

Libraries — *Continued*:

	V.	P.	Nos.
Brunswick, Me. Bowdoin College Library		1	
Buffalo, N. Y. Public Library		1	
Cambridge Free Public Library		1	10
Harvard University Library		1	
Cedar Rapids, Ia. Free Public Library		1	
Chelsea. Fitz Public Library		1	
Chicago, Ill. John Crerar Library		1	
Public Library		1	
Cincinnati, O. Public Library		1	3
Cleveland, O. Public Library		2	
Clinton. Bigelow Free Public Library		1	
Detroit, Mich. Public Library		1	
District of Columbia. Public Library		1	
Dover, N. H. Public Library			2
Erie, Pa. Public Library		1	
Fairhaven. Millicent Library		1	
Fitchburg Public Library			6
Germantown, Pa. Friends' Free Library		1	
Groton Public Library		1	
Hartford, Conn. Public Library		1	
Haverhill Public Library			3
Helena, Mon. Public Library			1
Hopedale. Bancroft Memorial Library		1	
Jersey City, N. J. Public Library		1	2
Lawrence Free Public Library		1	2
Library of Congress. See U. S. Government			
Lincoln, Neb. Public Library		1	
Los Angeles, Cal. Public Library		1	12
Lowell City Library		1	1
Madison, Conn. E. C. Scranton Memorial Library		1	
Malden Public Library		1	2
Manchester. Memorial Library		1	
Marblehead. Abbott Public Library		1	
Medford Public Library		1	
Milwaukee, Wis. Public Library		1	2
Minneapolis, Minn. Public Library		1	
Monmouth, Ill. Warren County Library			4
New Haven, Conn. Public Library			10
Yale University Library		1	
New Orleans, La. Fisk Free and Public Library ..		1	
New York, N. Y. Aguilar Free Library Society ..		1	
Mercantile Library		1	

Libraries— <i>Continued</i> :	V.	P.	Nos.
Public Library			12
Newport, R. I. Redwood Library ..		1	
Newton Free Library		1	
Northampton. Forbes Library		1	
Oakland Cal. Free Library and Reading Rooms .		1	
Paterson, N. J. Free Public Library		1	1
Philadelphia, Pa. Apprentices' Library Company.		1	
City Institute (containing Free Library		1	
Free Library		1	1
Library Company			2
Mercantile Libray			3
Pittsburg, Pa. Carnegie Library			7
Pittsfield. Berkshire Athenæum		1	
Portland, Me. Public Library		2	
Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Adrians Memorial Library.		1	
Providence, R. I. Athenæum		1	
Coöperative Libraries			12
Public Library		3	1
Salem Public Library		1	10
San Francisco, Cal. Public Library		1	12
San Jose, Cal. Free Library		1	
Scranton, Pa. Public Library		1	
Seattle, Wash. Public Library			1
Somerville Public Library		1	10
Springfield City Library			10
Syracuse, N. Y. Public Library		1	
Tacoma, Wash. Public Library			4
Taunton Public Library		1	1
Trenton, N. J. New Jersey State Library	2		
Waltham Public Library		2	8
Weston. Town Library		1	
Worcester Free Public Library		3	11
Lynn, Mass., City of	1		
Lynn Historical Society, Lynn		1	
Marston, Mrs. Ellen, New Bedford	4		
Massachusetts, Commonwealth of	21	7	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.....		2	
Massachusetts Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Boston		1	
Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs, Boston		1	
Mayor, Hon. John E. B., Cambridge, Eng.		2	

	V.	P.	Nos.
Merrick, Josephine A., New Bedford	1		
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, N. Y.		1	
Moore, Charles S., Cambridge		1	
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley		1	
Murray, Thomas Hamilton, Woonsocket	1		
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston		1	
National Civil Service Reform League, New York, N. Y.		3	
National Conference of Charities and Corrections, New York, N. Y.		1	
National Educational Association, Winona, Minn. ...	1		
New Bedford, Mass., City of	34	24	
Board of Cemetery Commissioners		1	
Board of Park Commissioners		1	
Water Board		1	
New York Civil Service Reform Association, New York, N. Y.		1	
O'Neil, Desmond, Boston		1	
Pacific School of Osteopathy, Los Angeles, Cal. . . .		1	
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.		1	
Peabody Institute, Danvers, Mass.		1	
Peace Association of Friends, Philadelphia, Pa.		1	
Pennock, Rev. B. W., New Bedford	3	33	
Perkins Institute and Massachusetts School for the Blind, Boston.....	1	1	
Pond, Major J. B., New York, N. Y.		1	
Porto Rico, Gov. Charles H. Allen		1	
Princeton University, Princeton, N. J.		1	
Providence, R. I., City of	1		
Providence Machine Co., Providence, R. I.	1		
Purrington, Oliver B., New Bedford	4		
Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, R. I.		1	
Rosenthal, Jacques, Munich (Bavaria), Germany		1	
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Snow, Levi M., Fairhaven,	Maps		
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Swan, Charles H. Jr., New York, N. Y.	1		

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